



FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED,  
THROUGH FAITH—AND THIS NOT FROM  
YOURSELVES, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD.  
*EPH 2:8-9*

**August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Strengthened by God's Grace**

**CROSS OF GLORY LUTHERAN CHURCH & LEARNING CENTER**

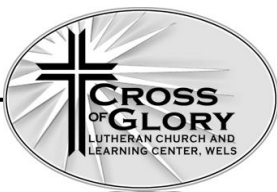
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***Welcome!*** We are glad you are here with us today. Our service today follows an order of worship which places the spotlight on God's Word and its central message of peace through Jesus. You can follow the outline of the service in this worship folder. The hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal: Christian Worship (CW) or the blue hymnal: Christian Worship Supplement (CWS).

***Holy Communion:*** We offer classes (Basic Bible Christianity) for those desiring to take the sacrament. If you are a newcomer, please take these classes before communing or speak with our pastor.

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## ORDER OF SERVICE: WORD & SACRAMENT

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**HYMN.....How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds (CW #358)**

*STAND*

**M:** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

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## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

- C:** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.
- C:** Amen.

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## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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### LORD, HAVE MERCY (*KYRIE*)

- M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



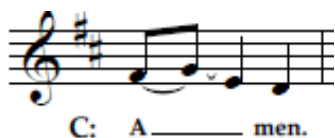
- M:** For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



- M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise

## O LORD, OUR LORD

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O Lord, our Lord, how glo rious is your name in all the earth. Al mighty

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God, mer ci ful Fa ther, you crown our life with\_ your

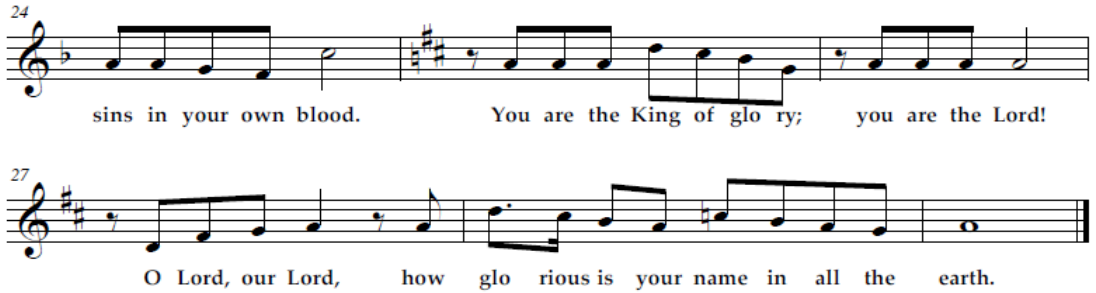
9  
love. You take a way our sin; you com fort our spir it; you make us pure

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and ho ly in your sight. You did not spare your on ly Son, but gave him up

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for us all. O Lord, our Lord, how glo rious is your name in all the earth.

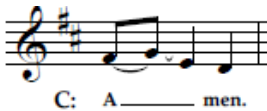
19  
— O Son of God, e ter nal Word of the Fa ther, you came to live with

22  
us; you made your Fa ther known; you washed us from our



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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# THE WORD OF GOD

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### FIRST LESSON.....1 Kings 19:3-8

*Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there,<sup>4</sup> while he himself went a day's journey into the desert. He came to a broom tree, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, LORD," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors."<sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the tree and fell asleep. All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat."<sup>6</sup> He looked around, and there by his head was a cake of bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again.<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you."<sup>8</sup> So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.*

PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 34



Hap py the peo ple the Lord has cho sen to be his own.



**M:** Taste and see that the 'LORD is good; \*

**C:** **blessed are they who take re'fuge in him.**

**M:** The eyes of the LORD are on the 'righteous \*

**C:** **and his ears are attentive 'to their cry.**

**M:** The angel of the LORD encamps around those who 'fear him, \*

**C:** **And he de'livers them.**

*Refrain*

**M:** The righteous cry out, and the LORD 'hears them; \*

**C:** **he delivers them from all their 'troubles.**

**M:** The LORD is close to the broken'hearted \*

**C:** **and saves those who are crushed in 'spirit.**

**M:** The LORD redeems his 'servants; \*

**C:** **no one who takes refuge in him will 'be condemned.**

**C:** **Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son \***

**and to the Holy 'Spirit,**

**as it was in the be'ginning, \***

**is now, and will be forever. 'Amen.**

*Refrain*

## SECOND LESSON.....Hebrews 5:11-6:3

*We have much to say about this, but it is hard to explain because you are slow to learn.<sup>12</sup> In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food!<sup>13</sup> Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness.<sup>14</sup> But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil. **6:1** Therefore let us leave the elementary teachings about Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God,<sup>2</sup> instruction about baptisms, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.<sup>3</sup> And God permitting, we will do so.*

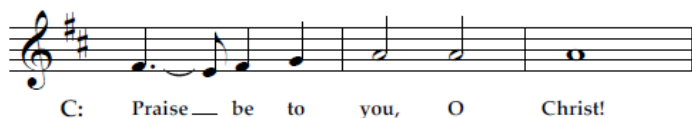
### THE VERSE OF THE DAY



## GOSPEL.....John 6:41-51

*At this the Jews began to grumble about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven."<sup>42</sup> They said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I came down from heaven'?"<sup>43</sup> "Stop grumbling among yourselves," Jesus answered.<sup>44</sup> "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, and I will raise him up at the last day.<sup>45</sup> It is written in the Prophets: 'They will all be taught by God.' Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me."<sup>46</sup> No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father.<sup>47</sup> I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life.<sup>48</sup> I am the bread of life.<sup>49</sup> Your forefathers ate the manna in the desert, yet they died.<sup>50</sup> But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which a man may eat and not die.<sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."*

**M:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**HYMN OF THE DAY.....Christ the Word of God Incarnate (CWS #750, vv1,2,6)**

**SERMON.....1 Kings 19:3-8**

***“Strength for the Journey”***

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH: NICENE CREED**

**C:** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



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# THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER

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## OFFERING

*The members of Cross of Glory are happy to support its ministry with their financial gifts. If you are visiting us today, do not feel obligated to give an offering.*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M:** Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

**C:** **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

**M:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

**C:** **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** **Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.**

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C:** **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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## THE SACRAMENT

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**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**M:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In perfect unity with his Son and the Holy Spirit, he is the source, guide, and goal of our lives now and always. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*SANCTUS*)

C: Ho ly, ho ly, ho ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole  
earth is full of your glo ry. You are my God and  
I will ex alt you. I will give you thanks for you have be come my sal  
va tion. Ho ly, ho ly, ho ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole  
earth is full of your glo ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A men.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*AGNUS DEI*)



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on—



us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have



mercy on— us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the



sin of the world; grant us your peace. A— men.

## DISTRIBUTION (Hymn: O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee - CW # 616)

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### CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

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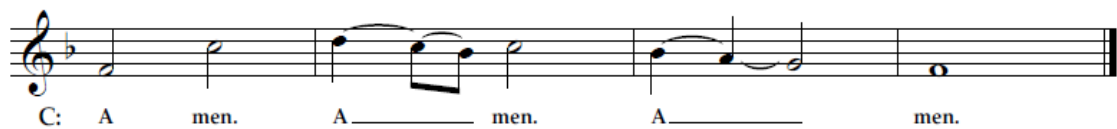
**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A— men.

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



**CLOSING HYMN.....Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (CW #331)**



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **MEASURE OF LOVE**

Last Sunday's Worship Attendance: 31.

Offerings to the Lord: General Fund Offerings: \$1676.

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Monday (8/10)	6:30 p.m.	Evangelism Committee Meeting
Sunday (8/16):	10:30 a.m.	Worship with Communion

## **EVANGELISM MEETING – MONDAY, AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup>**



The evangelism committee will be meeting on Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. We'll be discussing our summer VBS as well as this year's upcoming outreach events. All are invited to come and share ideas.

## **AUGUST LISTENING SESSIONS / MINISTRY MOTIVATION**



All members of Cross of Glory are encouraged to attend our special August listening sessions held during the Sunday morning Bible Study hour (9:15 – 10:15 a.m.) on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. We will have the opportunity to review our ministry plan from the previous year and discuss upcoming opportunities for ministry.